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FROM: TOKYO

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DEPCIRTEL 807, EMBTEL 1188

AT SOCIAL GATHERING LAST NIGHT FONOFF REPS INDICATED INFORMALLY TO EMB BASIC RESERVATIONS ABOUT TIMELINESS APPROACH TO CUBAN GOVT SUGGESTED DEPCIRTEL 807 IN VIEW INTERVENING REPORT BY ACTING SEC GEN U THANT THAT HE HAD RETURNED FROM HAVANA AFTER "FRUITFUL" DISCUSSIONS DURING WHICH THANT "RELIABLY" INFORMED THAT DISARMING OF MISSILES AND INSTALLATIONS ALREADY IN PROGRESS WITH POSSIBILITY COMPLETION BY NOV 2 (FONOFF SPECULATED "RELIABLE" INFORMANT PROBABLY SOVIET).

FONOFF REPS GAVE IMPRESSION THAT UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, AND IN VIEW ADMITTEDLY MINOR BUT STILL PRACTICAL FACTOR THAT NEWLY APPOINTED JAPANESE AMB TO CUBA (YAGUCHI) ONLY ARRIVED HAVANA OCT 28, POSITIVE ACTION BY GOJ NOT LIKELY AT LEAST IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE. ANY ADDITIONAL AMMUNITION DEPT CAN PROVIDE WILL BE USEFUL.

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